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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends:

The editor has asked me for a letter which shall give to the Alumnae some insight into the college life of the past year, and be a statement of general conditions.

You will all be interested, I believe, in a course which was established with much enthusiasm through the coöperation of twelve or more instructors in the college, which aims to correlate for Juniors and Seniors who elect it various subjects and interests in the curriculum, and aims to give them a whole view of life, and their relation to it, as seen from the point of view of cultured, trained, American women in the home. The course is known as "The Art of Living", and is offered in the Department of Home Economics, under the numbers 21-22. The coöperating instructors represent the Departments of Natural and Physical Sciences, Social Sciences, with History and Philosophy, and the Department of Home Economics: also of the Departments of Music, English Literature, and Fine Arts, and there have also been important contributions by a representative of the legal profession, an officer of one of the local savings bank, and a local physician.

The course began with an introductory lecture by the President of the College, followed by two others, also of an introductory sort, by Mr. Morris, Professor of Philosophy. Then presentation was made in successive steps in the development of the universe, through the Departments of Astronomy, Zoology, Botany, Physics, and Chemistry. The course then preceded with the presentation of the bearings of Social Science, Economics, Sociology, Psychology, and Philosophy—followed by periods devoted to History and Political Science. Having thus traversed the scientific and social phases of life, the attention of the class was turned towards the home. The various aspects of the home, in terms of personal and social hygiene, were considered under the direction of the Department of Physical Education, and then the technique and philosophy of home-making, was

strengthened by the introduction at this point in the course of two invited speakers—one, an authority on home-building and home-planning, and the other, an authority on landscape architecture and gardening. At this juncture appeared also a lawyer and the savings bank officer to reveal, the one, those elements of law with which a woman should be familiar, and the other, those vital matters concerned with money, saving, budgeting, thrift, and domestic economy. The course broadened again to consider the service of the arts to the home, and in sequence, fine arts, literature, and music were considered.

To give the course a practical, and what would be recognized as an immensely valuable addition, a physician who is a specialist in the care and feeding of children, has given a series of six lectures, even introducing a demonstration of the care of children with a nurse, and a child.

The whole course is finally rounded out and interpreted in terms of ethics, philosophy, and religion, and again Mr. Morris and the President appear to complete the scheme.

The students have found it very profitable. A great deal of work has been required of them, frequent reports, occasional quizzes, and much reading of important, timely books. The instructors were most eager to attempt the experiment, though rather diffident as to their ability to do the manifestly difficult thing, but students and faculty alike consider it to have been highly successful, and next year it will be done even better. It is believed that the students recognize a real service in this course, and that it affords a survey and an evaluation of their entire activities which can only be profitable. The course has attracted a great deal of attention from other colleges, it has been mentioned in several educational reviews as very promising and interesting, as a definite piece of pioneer work in women's colleges, and inquiries have come to us not only from American colleges, but even from Turkey and China, concerning it. There is every prospect that it will

become a vital and important element in the curriculum.

One other feature of the college life should be revealed, and that is the very wise and promising reorganization of Student Government Association that has been effected, which, recognized as desirable by an unusually conscientious and industrious Council, has been effected under their leadership, after intelligent and thorough discussion, and finally, enthusiastic unanimity in adoption.

The new Constitution makes provision for a President with Cabinet, the Executive Arm; House of Representatives with a Speaker, the Legislative Arm; and an Honor Court of seven, the Judicial Arm. The Cabinet is composed pretty much as formerly with the principal officers of Student Government and presidents of the classes, thirteen in all: the House of Representatives is composed of the house presidents, and some students elected at large from the three upper classes, totaling twenty-five: and the seven judges are elected by ballot from the three upper classes. This means that forty-five students will be responsible officers of Student Government, instead of thirteen, and this wider assumption of responsibility, and deeper penetration into the student body of official relationship, we believe, cannot but be helpful. At the same time the student body has been reminded of its immediate personal and individual responsibility under our system, and that no legislation or constitution, however promising on paper, or however carefully devised, can be successful without honest and conscientious citizenship. The Constitution and By-laws are brief documents, the one enunciating principles, the other providing simple directions for administration. There is exceptional confidence, good will, and keen expectation of entire success in this scheme which has been devised through the happiest and most efficient coöperation of students and faculty.

For the rest, let it be said that the year on campus has been an efficient, happy, and profitable one. The college is aware of more friends than ever, and has every expectation and confidence that these friends will help us to reach our objective in the Endowment Effort which still proceeds, if rather slowly, yet steadily to its goal. The recognition which the college is constantly getting from other colleges and educators is very reassuring and heartening. The quality of the work is thorough, scholarship is exacting, the spirit of good will very generally prevails, and our graduates qualify in the various tasks they undertake, whether in the home or in the office, or in the school to a degree which gratifies and honors us.

UP ON THE HILL.

Competition between classes in one-act plays was one of the interesting events of campus life this year. The judges, Miss Sherer, Miss Ernst, Dr. Lawrence and a girl from each class judged the plays on the acting ability shown, the reading of the lines, scenes and lighting, costumes and make-up, choice of play, and the finish with which the play was produced. The winning class was to have its numerals engraved on a silver cup donated by Mr. Lewis of New London. Each succeeding year the winner will have its numerals added to the trophy.

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The plays given were "The Florist Shop", "Miss Mercy", "A Game of Chess" and "Postal Orders." The Freshman class, 1929, with the latter play won the honors.

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The Lion Knocker, mascot of 1926, was placed on the door of Colonial House at a dedication exercise held on February 28.

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Among the speakers at College this year were Mrs. Cyrus W. Merrel, president of the Lowthorne School for Landscape Architecture in Groton, Mass., Professor Harlow Shapley of Harvard; Dr. Glenn R. MacCurdy; Professor George Pierce Baker of Yale; James Stephen, the Irish poet; and Richard Curle who spoke on "Conrad as I Knew Him."

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The Dramatic Club gave "Gretna Green" and "Quality Street" as two of their offerings this year.

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The Spanish Department gave "El Nido", a play by the Quintero brothers on April 17. It is a sort of Spanish New York apartment house farce with the usual hilarious complications.

With the hope of seeing many of you at Commencement, I am always

Faithfully your friend,

BENJAMIN T. MARSHALL,

President.

INTRODUCING '23's LATEST SPECIALTY!



"Ann Alden Bunyan, otherwise known as 1923's Class baby, arrived on November 21, 1925. She is named Ann just because we liked the name, and Alden, after the famous John himself, for Ann's great grandfather is the oldest living

descendant of John Alden. She was a chubby wee bundle weighing 6 pounds and 11 ounces, but now she weighs 12 pounds at five months, proving herself thereby just a normal healthy baby which she surely is. Ann Alden howls, screams, shrieks and yells with delight or sorrow, just as she pleases like all babies do. She has manifested her first interest in the outside world by the fact that she gazes intently at sky and trees as we stroll forth every afternoon. Altogether, as the Psychology Professors would have it, she is rapidly becoming acquainted with the behavior of mankind. Ann is at present a decided blonde, though by the time she reaches Connecticut College she may be a Spanish brunette, for babies do certainly change. At this early age Ann has proven herself to be a remarkably good baby and genuinely happy, for her rotund little face is most generally broadened with smiles. We shall try to bring her up in a spirit of loyalty and reverence for Connecticut College which is destined to be her Alma Mater."—Higgie.

NEWS OF OTHERS

We hear that Ruth Wilson, '21, married a high school teacher in New Rochelle.

Also that Olgo Gennert, '25, is engaged.

That Grace Fisher, '22, has announced her engagement, expects to be married in the fall, to live in Chicago and then abroad.

An ecstatic letter from Margaret Davies Cooper, '20, reads as follows:

"So you want to know about my little girl, do you? Well, I could write a book already and she's only three months old.

She was born on October 31. I planned long ago that she was to come on Hallowe'en, and she made the grade, with a margin of twenty-eight minutes. She was a tiny doll—only weighed 6¼ pounds—but she was perfect, and that was the all-important thing.

She had lots of brown hair, still has, and her eyes are a real dark blue. I

hope they stay as they are, for they are lovely now, but they tell me they are apt to change any time during the first year. Her nose and mouth are replicas of her mother's, and I didn't need to use adhesive tape on her ears, for they sit tight.

She's as good as gold—goes to bed at 6 at night, and sleeps through the night. We have to waken her at 10 p. m. to feed her and again at 6 a. m. She sleeps a great deal during the day, and is angelic when she's awake. Now, I ask you, could you possibly ask for more?

She's a regular little blossom, Blanche, and I am the happiest person in the world, I really believe."

Miff Howard, '20, from the wilds of Wisconsin writes that she is teaching physical ed. at the University of Wisconsin and enjoying life in Madison. She hasn't done anything surprising except take up piano lessons. This summer Miff expects to teach in the summer school of the University of Colorado and extends an invitation to anyone traveling that way to call.

EDITORIAL STAFF

Editor-in-Chief, . . . Blanche Finesilver, '22
Assistant, Helen Avery Bailey, '23

IN JUNE WE MEET.

At the Alumnae meeting held last June a few new rules were voted upon, and we are repeating them here for the benefit of those who have not heard of them or have forgotten them.

Since the seating capacity of the gymnasium is so limited, it was voted that the graduating exercises may be attended only by the president of each reuning class and two other members appointed by her, the chairman of the class of 1911 and two other members, the president of the Alumnae Association, who may also appoint two members. The entire number is not to exceed fifteen.

There is to be class representation at the June meeting of the Alumnae Association to insure intelligent discussion and interest in the measures on the slate for adoption, and also to insure those classes not reuning of a voice in the proceedings. Presidents of classes not reuning shall appoint not less than three and not more than five members to be present. This does not mean that class representatives' votes will bear more weight. Every member of the association who is present has a vote whether she is a class representative or not.

Reuning classes this June are 1921, 1923 and 1925.

COLONIAL TO BE CALLED KNOWLTON.

At a recent meeting the Board of Trustees decided to change the name of Colonial House to Knowlton House. The idea was considered last year, but was not acted on definitely at that time. The new name for the dormitory is thought to be more appropriate, since it fittingly commemorates on the campus the name of the donor, the late Charles Clark Knowlton, of Ashford, Connecticut. The building was previously called Colonial House because the plans and also the furnishings are Colonial in design.

Knowlton House, which was completed during the past year, has been in use since the opening of college last fall. It was formally dedicated October 24, 1925.

KA LAMA O HAWAII.

This cryptic statement tops an orange-colored folder advertising the Hawaiian Tea Room at 56 West 51st Street, New York City.

Currie is the main dish served here, although other meals can be ordered. From the folder we learn that Currie is a powder composed of many aromatic herbs. Rice and condiments are always served with curried dishes. Chief among the condiments are Bombay Dux (a salt dried fish), and Chutney (a special sauce).

Louise Lee, '21, the proprietress, invites C. C. girls and their friends to visit the Hawaiian Tea Room. It is a tea room of a long-standing and well-known reputation. Such prominent women as Mary Wilder Gunn and Mrs. Gould are among its patrons.

Louise will be glad to donate a room for afternoon bridge at any time.

ATTENTION, 1925!

This is our first reunion! Make your plans now so that you can be at C. C. June 12 to 15. Class Day plans are completed and include every member of '25. Let's get our old pep and step in line 100%.

—G. K. DELAP.

BRIGHT SPOTS IN AN EDITOR'S LIFE.

Same Day.

My dear Blanche Finesilver:

When the postman came this morning I had to stop in the midst of telling a very dumb Italian about clearing off some brush to look at your "Alumnae News"—and—after one look I sat right down on the terrace (adding more freckles) and read it from cover to cover—let the Italian whack away as he would. I was too engrossed in "C. C.'s" babies, marriages and faculty news to care—and now with my hands covered with seed-planting mud I rush in to tell you my appreciation of what I know must have been a hard tedious undertaking.

What a host of happy memories and suggestions you were able to send forth to so many!

Most truly,

EUNICE GATES WOODS (ex-1920),

205 Wyoming Ave.,

Maplewood, N. J.

CHAPTER NEWS

The New London Chapter claims an active membership list of 65 members. At Christmas time \$200 was cleared in a gift shop which the chapter ran in the Connecticut Power Community House. While abroad last summer Miss Sherer and Margaret Ives picked up some very lovely pieces of linen, pottery and leather goods which were sold. The \$200 was given to Endowment.

The officers of the Chapter are: Margaret Cort Palmer, President, Mildred White, Vice-President; Emily Warner, Secretary; Mildred Keefe, Treasurer; Katherine Troland, Chairman of Entertainment Committee; and Vera Grann, Chairman of Publicity.

"We think the New York Chapter has had a most successful winter. We had four meetings, which is our regular number, and at least two of these were quite well attended. The meetings are held at the Women's University Club, through the courtesy of Miss Chandor of the club, to whom Agnes Leahy introduced me, rather recommended me. Next year, however, two of us hope to be members of the club, as our names are on the nomination board now.

At the first meeting interest was stirred up by raising the question of changing the name of the college. The prospect of debating this brought quite a few out to the second meeting. We wrote to either the president of other chapters or someone whom we thought could get in touch with a number of girls in large cities. As a general summary, this is what we heard: Several girls in Chicago met and talked it over and were in favor of seriously considering changing the name. From Philadelphia we had the report that though they would like to have another name they thought we would run up against too many difficulties to undertake trying to do it. In Boston they seemed quite in favor of making a change if possible, and somewhat the same answer came from New Haven, only they seemed a little more cautious about it there. We had quite a debate about it at our own meeting, and though the majority were in favor of trying to make a change, there were a few who strongly opposed it on the grounds that the name is now becoming well established and it would be ridiculous to bawl things up by making a change. Time did not seem ripe to do much more, unless it is to think seriously about what it could be changed to if it is changed. And, that is a hard problem,

because there seems to be no fitting name for the dear old place. Winthrop, Windsor, Thames, Branford, and all of them have many drawbacks.

At our second meeting we also had a very interesting, though brief, talk on the work of the A. A. U. W. The New York Chapter of this great Association then invited us all to a dinner being given in honor of their National President during January. Five of us turned out to the dinner and enjoyed it and thrived on it.

Our crowning event was a luncheon in the middle of January at which President Marshall was the honorary guest. It was held at the Women's University Club and had thirty quite enthusiastic people out for it. It was just a social event, and President Marshall told us all the interesting things we could want to hear about college this year. We enjoyed every word of his talk.

At our last meeting, which was in April, we elected the President for the coming year, and I am again to have the pleasure. The other officers will be elected at the first meeting in the fall, the present office-holders carrying their jobs over until then.

In May we are going to have an afternoon tea to which we plan to invite the girls who live in and near New York who are going up to Connecticut next year. We thought it would be nice for them to meet a few who had been through the mill, that they might judge what the mill turns out. And then, we will like to meet those who are going to carry on the good old work on the hill-top next year.

I have almost forgotten that one meeting was sort of a rally for the Endowment, and at it we raised, in cash, a rather decent amount of money, though nothing astounding.

I don't know as we have any policies. We just kind of go along and do what we think most interesting and beneficial. We have amassed a bit of a treasury and hope in years to come that we will have enough to rent a permanent home for our chapter. It might only be one room, but it will be something. It is really what we are working for, though we have done nothing this winter to just raise money for the purpose.

If we can get along next winter just a bit better than we have done this winter, I think we will all be satisfied, because without a great deal of effort, it has been quite successful. People have to come from such distances to get to a

meeting in the city, that it sometimes seems discouraging that a large crowd is not always out. Each time though we have seen some new faces, and, of course, there is always a good old faithful group that certainly do more than their share towards making the world go round. There is quite a joy in it too, I'm sure, and I wish more would try it, just for fun."—Elinor Hunken.

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The Boston Chapter was formed in the middle of the winter when Prent and Maggie Baxter were hostesses at Dennison House. Officers elected for this year: President, Dorothy Gregson Slocum; Vice-President, Marena Prentis; Secretary, Jeanette Sperry; Treasurer, Doris Padelford; Publicity, Margory Field; Entertainment Committee, Abby Gallup. I believe only two full meetings have taken place since then, which took the form of little supper parties and informal get-togethers. Over six hundred dollars was raised for endowment fund by different members in the group. At one time individual bridge parties were held netting \$4 a table. At present, plans are afoot to give a tea the end of this month to incoming freshmen at college next fall from this vicinity. Nothing much could be accomplished this year except to get the girls' interest aroused and to get them to know one another socially. Dr. Black surprised us with her presence at the last supper party—and Winona had just come over from Hartford.

\$1000 GIVEN PRESIDENT MARSHALL FOR EUROPEAN TRIP.

The faculty of Connecticut College, in grateful appreciation of the way in which, since his inauguration in 1917, President Benjamin T. Marshall has discharged the responsibilities of his office, has made him a gift of \$1000, intended to provide him with a trip abroad during the coming summer. Members of the faculty have expressed the hope that he may thus have an undisturbed vacation which he so richly deserves, free from the many duties which have occupied him continuously during the past few years.

From "The Day", New London, May 4, 1926.

THINGS TO THINK THROUGH.

May 10, 1926.

Dear Alumnae:

Just five weeks to Monday, June 14—the annual Alumnae Association meeting. Will you be there to help with the election of officers for 1926-28 and then to assist with other business? In order that the activity of the association may count for the very most, your presence and active coöperation is indeed an essential factor, so do plan to be there!

At the Executive Committee meeting, April 10, 1926, the following reports were recommended for action and for discussion by the Association at the June meeting.

1—Treasurer's Report:

Balance on hand, October 1, 1925, \$161.35

Receipts.

Received from dues,.....\$745.00

Returns from "1925 Alumnae

Annual", 3.00

Total,\$909.35

Expenditures.

Total, 408.36

Balance on hand, April 5, 1926,

in checking account,.....\$500.99

Balance in sinking fund,..... 161.35

Total cash,.....\$662.34

2—Budget for 1926-27 (Not ready at this printing).

3—Constitution:

It is recommended that the by-laws be amended and duties of the First Vice-President be redefined and that she shall not be chairman of the Sykes' Fund Committee. It was also recommended that the Constitution be printed.

4—Publicity Committee and Annual:

For three printings of the "Annual" during the year 1925-26, the expenses have been kept within \$250. Recommendation was made that there be an issue of the "Annual" in September.

5—Chapters:

There will be reports from Chapters.

6—Alumnae Day:

It is recommended that Alumnae Day shall be observed simultaneously with the observance of the Washington's birthday week-end on campus.

7—Nominating Committee:

(Slate is incomplete at the present date).

8—Announcement:

Connecticut College Alumnae are now eligible for membership in the New York Women's University Club.

Yours sincerely,

MARGARET E. BAXTER,
Secretary, Alumnae Association.

MAY DAY POETRY TOURNAMENT.

Following a fourteenth century French custom, perpetuated in the "Jeux Floreux" of literary France, a Poetry Tournament, open to all undergraduates, both men and women, in New England universities and colleges, will be held in Boston on May 1, under the auspices of the Second Church Chapter of the Laymen's League.

A Golden Rose, the work of a French jeweler, offered last year, and won by Professor Earl Marlatt, of Boston University, under different conditions of competition, will again become the prize of the poet who most felicitously interprets the genius of May Day.

The spirit of the literary joust in the earlier day has been set forth by an old writer thus: "to say and recite good and remarkable words * * * for the teaching of the ignorant, for restraining mad and foolish lovers, for living with joy and mirth, and for fleeing ennui and sadness, enemies of the Gay Science."

A festival so blithe is surely worthy of finding a permanent place in the calendar of Puritan New England, presumably appealing to students of English, especially those who would restore poetry to May Day.

The judges who have agreed to pass upon the merits of the poems submitted are: Professor Bliss Perry, of Harvard; Professor Chauncey Brewster Tinker, of Yale, and Miss Abbie Farwell Brown, President of the New England Poetry Club.

GRADUATE TO DO RESEARCH
IN SOUTH AMERICA

The trip which Gloria Hollister, '24, is now taking in South America is of interest to all at "C. C." Miss Hollister and a friend sailed February 25, for British Guiana for a zoological exploration in the jungles. At Georgetown, where they will land, a ball has been planned in their honor by the governor. From Georgetown they will push into the jungle, by rail and by boat, until they reach the Kareteur falls. Here, with a force of coolies, they will spend some time.

One object of their expedition is to study the golden frogs which are said to live in the cacti plants at the head of the falls. These frogs have been reported nowhere else. Miss Hollister expects to study the habitat of the frogs, and bring back specimens. They also plan to identify and list the birds found in that locality and to study invertebrate life along the river. This section of British Guiana has never been studied before.

Miss Hollister and her friend will stay until the first of May when the summer season begins. At that time it is too hot in the jungle for white men. They are bringing back a collection of invertebrates, and hope to get several rare birds for the American Museum of Natural History.

During Alumnae week-ends, Dr. Dederer invited many students interested in Zoology to meet Miss Hollister at tea, where she told them about her plans.

MORE NEWS OF OTHERS

Marguerite Mills Murphy, '20, lectured recently to the University Women's Club on the "Evolution of French Canada." Millsy is indulging in French lit. and plans to return to her course at the university, her young son permitting.

A card announcing the arrival of Katherine Elizabeth Wickwire on April 23, 1926, has been received. Ruth Bacon Wickwire, '22, is the proud mother.

Since last issue we have heard of the arrival of another baby girl in Bobby Newton Ray's family, and of a boy in Edna Blue Tonks' menage.

Caroline and Kit Franke went abroad in May with their mother.

Josephine Bauer, ex-'25, is now Mrs. Mortimer A. Cohen. She will be at home after June 1 at 6 Frederick Street, Montgomery, Ala.

Lois Day, Class of 1928, was married recently to Mr. Bane Wilsey, and has gone south on her wedding trip.

Invitations to Maya Johnson's ('23) wedding to John Schmuck on May 21 have been sent out.

Dorothy Pryde writes that Miss E. Frances Botsford, now at the New Haven High School, is to become a member of the faculty of C. C. next term. Miss Botsford will be instructor in Zoology. She secured her Ph.D. degree at Yale in 1925.

ARE YOU CONSCIOUS OF BEING AN ALUMNA?

Every January first, and perhaps every birthday, seems to be a time for retrospection, introspection, resolution, and anticipation. In spite of its being an annual feature, we hope that it is not the mere form it may seem, nor that it has the naive significance of Babbitt's parlor car confessional, nor yet the defense mechanism that suffers our saying: "What a good boy am I!" In most instances it is a healthy sort of check on ourselves, done honestly and fearlessly; for who else knows what goal we set last year, or how far we fell short? Moreover, we can always take refuge in the consoling thoughts that if we progressed only so far with resolutions, where, oh, where would we be without them?

But January first and birthdays have no monopoly on this privilege of reviews and prophecies. The continual changes in our work, in our ways of living, in our assuming additional responsibilities, make us stop short midst the mad rush of just lying, to consider where we have been going to date, and if we want to continue going the same way. (An indication of more than a passive admission that the current does pull one along, but also that it can be resisted with a definite effort.)

Now every other June—and this is one of those "other" ones (we can be glad it is even June instead of the odd one, just for the sake of the superstitious!)—is THE time for Alumnae to recognize the Stop, Look, and Listen signal, and indulge in a little checking or censuring of themselves as an organized group, and then as individual members of that group. Because every two years marks a complete change in the personnel of the officers, in assuming new responsibilities, new contacts and ideas, increased membership—and all with one end in view.

And what end? That is the point. We assume that everyone knows, yet how many of us stop long enough to reflect along these lines:

As the Connecticut College Alumnae Association:

What do we stand for?

What have we been doing these last two years?

What do we want to do these next two years?

Or, as individual members of this Association:

Have we undertaken our share to make worth-while the answers to the above questions?

Here is opportunity for as much intro-

spection, retrospection, and anticipation as any birthday or January first ever offers. Doubtless we would all agree that the answers to the first three would be practically the same, in general; at least, they would contain a similar reference to "All the concerns of a common bond and live interest, Connecticut College, whose welfare we support heartily and actively." Such is sufficient excuse for any organization. But why an excuse? And who wants a mere existence?—particularly when we consider how real, how live, how progressive is our very *raison d'être*. Surely we are not organized for the sake of organization. America is so full of clubs and such, which seek our names—and dues!—that we never need to be conscious of neglect there.

Well, we have indicated what we stand for. Now let us contemplate what we have been doing these last two years. In 1924, we were endowed by our outgoing officers with 311 possible members, a complete organization, the precedent of an "Alumnae News" and an Alumnae Day, three Chapters, and a good spirit. We have since increased by 94 and 69, to 474 prospective members (we actually have an exact membership of 408). The present group of officers has seen effectively established a firm financial basis; a still-experimenting "News", which has doubtless been the greatest promotor of an alumnae-consciousness; a successful continuance of Alumnae Day; three new Chapters—Boston, Philadelphia, and Chicago; a revised, and we hope, printed, constitution; and in addition during this administration the College and the Alumnae have been admitted to the American Association of Colleges and Universities—the highest possible academic recognition; and also to the American Association of University Women; and just recently we have been established on the lists of the Women's University Club of New York, where we already have membership.

These things indeed, indicate a very certain honor and growth of the College as well as of the Association, with both of which comes individual responsibility. They have meant no small amount of industry, enthusiasm and zeal—for whom? Unfortunately, for a few. It is interesting to watch those few, bi-annually start with great eagerness those "things we want to do in the next two years." This makes us reflect on our share, each and every one of us, in helping those few establish their ideas. We appoint them to a task, in a sense pledging our support to their cares. We gladly vote a "News", an "Annual", a "Quarterly", a "Monthly"—but are our replies to its Editor as positive? Do we realize that having

Connecticut College degrees means we are alumnae, but not members of the Alumnae Association, that being members, just paying dues, though the sine qua non, is not everything, but rather that our active interest is the indication of our zeal, which is the necessary thing for keeping the every-day machinery going? What a difference if responses, inquiries, suggestions, etc., were greeted positively instead of negatively! Officers would actually beg for a five-year term that they might accomplish more, rather than feel the unfair burden at the end of a two-year period.

Since we have assumed the honor of recognition as an organization, since we have accepted a heritage, however small we may consider it, we must also accept the accompanying responsibilities. When we contemplate what we want in the next two years, or for even longer, it is not anything startling, big, or new. Our business experiences have made us acknowledge that it is not the flare that counts in the long run, but much more sticking to the regular, every-day things, maintaining a recognized and admitted standard. This can be done only by many contributions.

It is said that in her first four years a child learns more than during the remainder of her entire life. The importance of what is done with and to that child in those four years cannot be overestimated. Three terms of the Connecticut College Alumnae Association have passed; a fourth is approaching. Your advice and coöperation in its upbringing is sought earnestly.

There is no need in ever being discouraged because anticipation seems to exceed realization, for were it not for the fervor and spirit of the former, we would not even approach the latter. Little signs of enthusiasm help!

Enter a new group of Alumnae officers. Do I hear 474 enthusiastic cries? I do—or I think I do!

COLLEGE PROFESSOR HONORED.

Professor Mary C. McKee of the Chemistry Department, who last year was the recipient of the Phi Mu fellowship of one thousand dollars, offered through the American Association of University Women for graduate study and research, has recently been elected a member of Sigma Xi, a leading honor society in the scientific world. Miss McKee is one of seven women to receive this year the honor of election to the society through the chapter at Yale University where she is studying.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM.

Thursday, June 10:

7.30 p.m. Senior Banquet, at the Mohican Hotel.

Friday, June 11:

3.00 p.m. Annual Art Exhibition in New London Hall.

9.00 p.m. Senior Promenade.

Saturday, June 12:

4 to 6 p.m. Reception to Faculty and Students by the D. A. R. in the Shaw Mansion.

8.15 p.m. Dramatic Club Play in the Gymnasium, "Quality Street."

Sunday, June 13:

4.00 p.m. Baccalaureate Sermon by the President, in St. James' Episcopal Church.

8.00 p.m. Musical Service in the Second Congregational Church.

Monday, June 14:

12.00 m. Annual Meeting of Alumnae Association: Class Reunions.

2.00 p.m. Class Day Exercises on Colonial Lawn.

4 to 6 p.m. President's Reception in Colonial House.

8 to 9.45 p.m. Campus Night.

9.45 p.m. Senior Sing, on the Steps of the Library.

Tuesday, June 15:

10.00 a.m. Commencement Exercises in the Gymnasium.

12.00 m. Trustees' Luncheon for Alumnae and Faculty.

AND STILL MORE!

Amy Peck Yale, '22, has moved to Station A, Meriden, Conn., and is living in her husband's childhood home. Her son is progressing beautifully and promises to be a real hustler.

Olive Littlehales Corbin, '21, has a son born in April. Her first words are rumored to be, "Does that little red thing belong to me?"

Hattie Goldman Rosoff, '21, has another baby—a girl.

Judy Warner is bound for Europe this summer, as are also about 499 of the 500 C. C. Alumnae.

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At the Sign
of the
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Returning alumnae will find here many
of their friends partaking of
Commencement cheer
under the genial
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